IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/591,930 **Confirmation No.**: 4599

Applicant (s) : Michael Vernon Spencer TC/A.U. : 1654

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Title : PRODUCTION OF LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT

ETHYLCELLULOSE

Docket No. : 63669A **Customer No.** : 00109

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the Official Action dated January 9, 2008, please amend the claims as detailed hereinafter and reconsider the claims in view of the arguments presented hereinafter.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

To the extent necessary to preserve pendency, the Director is respectfully requested to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 041512.